The committee therefore recommend that the Hon. S. W. Ford be admitted to a seat in your honorable body.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. H. BAKER,

Chairman.

Senator Fountain moved the adoption of the report.

Carried.

Senator Flanagan moved that Senator Ford be invited to qualify and take his seat.

Carried.

Senator Ford then took the required oath and seat in the Senate. The President announced a communication from Mr. A. J. Evans, which, upon motion of Senator Mills, was read.

Senator Douglas moved the communication be spread upon the

minutes of this body.

Lost.

Senator Bowers moved that the Senate adjourn until ten o'clock to-morrow.

Carried.

## NINTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

## SENATE CHAMBER, Austin, Thursday, February 17, 1870.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Lieutenant-Governor J. W Flanagan presiding.

Roll called; quorum present.

Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

On motion of Senator Ruby, Senator Rawson was allowed to record his vote on the Fifteenth Amendment.

There being no objections, Senator Rawson was recorded voting "aye."

On motion of Senator Flanagan, Senator Gaines was allowed to record his vote on the Fifteenth Amendment, voting "aye."

Senator Latimer moved to adjourn until to-morrow morning at ten o'clock, A. M.

Yea	s and nays called for	r, and carried	by the following vote:
Yeas. Nays			
Those who voted in the affirmative are—			
Mr.	Baker Bell Bowers Broughton Cole Dohoney S. W. Ford	and a second Mark &	S. Eyans Foster Hall Latimer Mills Pyle
Those who voted in the negative are—			
Mr.	Alford Campbell Douglas Flanagan Fountain Gaines	Mr.	Hertsberg Pridgen Rawson Ruby Shannon

## TENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

## SENATE CHAMBER, Austin, Friday, February 18, 1870.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Lieutenant-Governor J. W. Flanagan, presiding.

Roll called; quorum present.

Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

Communication from the House transmitting joint resolution adopting thirteenth, fourteenth and fifteenth amendments to the Constitution of the United States.

Senator Ruby moved that the rules be suspended and the Thirteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States be taken up for second reading.

Carried.

Read second time.

Senator Ruby moved that the rules be further suspended, and the